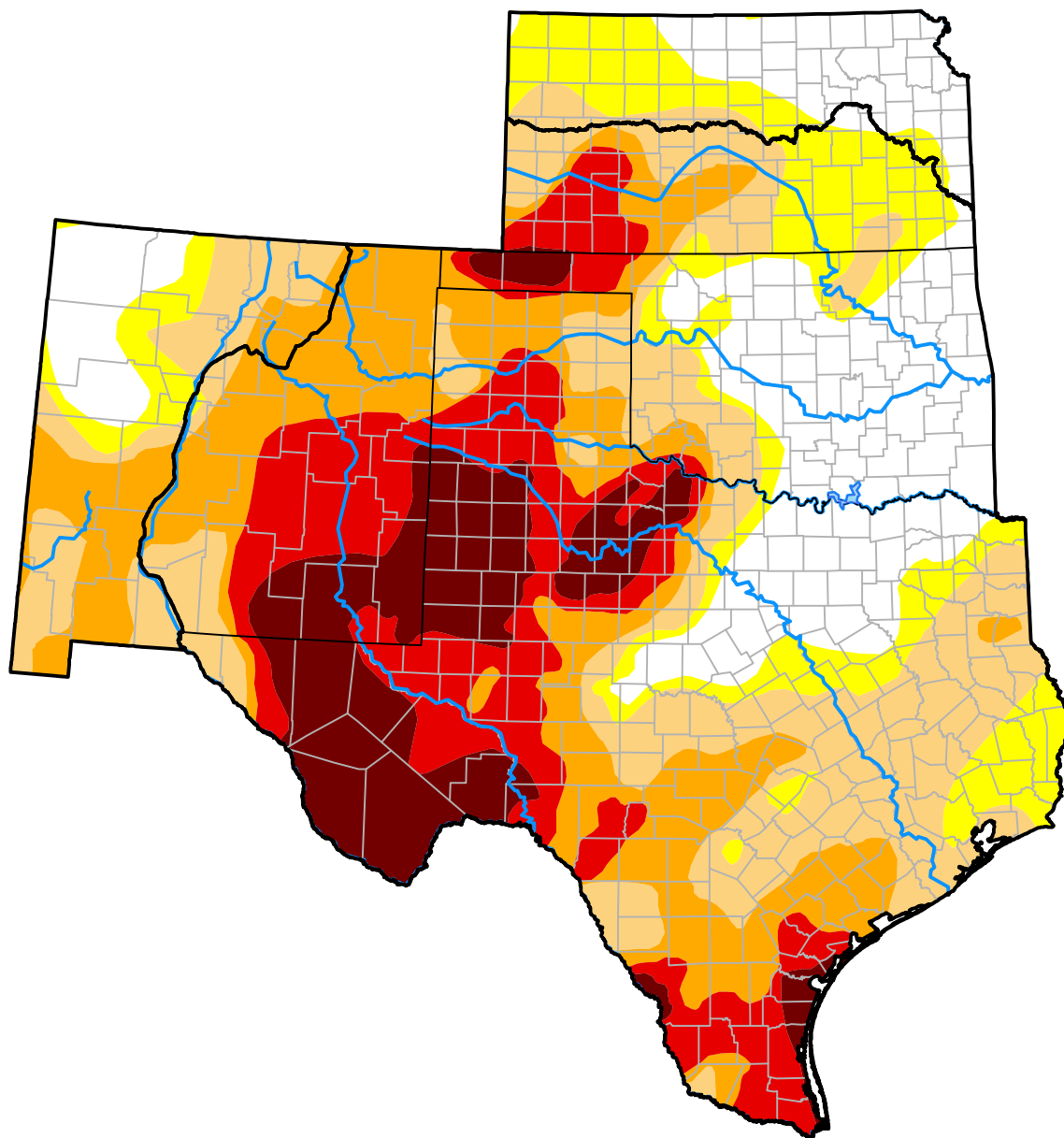


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	18.53	8.59	22.29	21.62	15.65	13.32
Last Week <i>03-15-2012</i>	11.13	10.64	19.58	26.49	17.31	14.84
3 Months Ago <i>12-22-2011</i>	4.58	3.22	16.01	21.61	26.78	27.80
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	4.58	3.24	16.00	26.67	28.11	21.41
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	0.00	0.96	2.46	9.84	17.43	69.32
One Year Ago <i>03-24-2011</i>	3.10	6.80	32.29	36.93	20.89	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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